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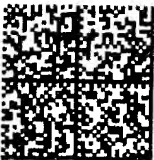
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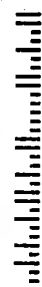
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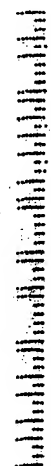
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**COMMUNICATION**

Dear Jerry Ahart:

You are named as inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §116 (United States Code), and 37 C.F.R. §1.47,<sup>1</sup> Rules of Practice

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